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PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY
OF LONDON.

SESSION 1861-62.

Thirteenth Meeting (ANNIVERSARY), 1 P.M., May 26th, 1862.

LORD ASHBURTON, PRESIDENT, in the Chair.

THE Minutes of the previous Meeting having been read and confirmed, and the regulations respecting the Anniversary Meetings having been read, the President appointed John Hogg and James Macqueen, Esqrs., Scrutineers for the Ballot.

Captain the Hon. James R. Drummond, R.N., C.B.; Lieutenant-Colonel Elkington; Captain Edward Donald Malcolm; Captain John Puget; Sir Henry Young; James Anderson; Samuel Bruce; Eugène Claude; John Baily Darvall; Henry Schuback Hood; Henry Lannoy Hunter; Frederick Isaac; Leonard Jaques; George Mitchell; William Parry; Mark Richardson; and William Whitmore, Esqrs., were proposed as Candidates for election at the next Meeting.

The Report of the Council, with the Balance Sheet for 1861, and the Estimate for 1862, was then read and adopted, and the motion,* as recommended by the Council at p. 6 of the Council Report, was carried.

The President then delivered the FOUNDER'S GOLD MEDAL to the Duke of Newcastle, on behalf of the late Richard O'Hara Burke, in remembrance of that gallant explorer, who, with his companion Wills, perished, after having traversed the continent of Australia from south to north—as also a GOLD WATCH on behalf of Mr. John King, the sole survivor of the expedition under Burke, as a recompense for his faithful and meritorious conduct; and the PATRON'S GOLD MEDAL to Captain Thomas Blakiston, of the Royal Artillery, for his survey of the Yang-tze-Kiang from Yo-chow to Ping-shan,

* “That the words The ‘two Secretaries of the Society shall be Honorary Secretaries,’ &c., be The ‘three Secretaries,’ &c.; and that Mr. William Spottiswoode be proposed as the new Honorary Secretary.”

extending nine hundred miles beyond the farthest point previously reached by Englishmen.

The Anniversary Address was next read, and a unanimous vote of thanks was passed, with a request that the President would allow it to be printed.

At the conclusion of the Ballot, the Scrutineers reported that the following changes, advised by the Council, had been adopted:— Lord Ashburton, the President, retiring at the expiration of his second year of office, to be succeeded by Sir Roderick I. Murchison; and the vacancy among the Vice-Presidents, occasioned by the election of Sir Roderick I. Murchison, as President, to be filled by Lord Ashburton; and the vacancies caused among the Ordinary Councillors occasioned by Mr. William Spottiswoode being made an additional Honorary Secretary, and by the retirement of Earl de Grey and Ripon; Lieutenant-General C. R. Fox; W. J. Hamilton; Austen H. Layard, M.P.; Major-General Sir Justin Sheil; and Colonel W. H. Sykes, M.P., to be supplied by the Right Hon. H. U. Addington; Earl Ducie; Cyril C. Graham; Clements R. Markham; John Rae, M.D.; E. Osborne Smith; and John Walker, Esqrs.

Thanks having been voted to the President, Vice-Presidents, Members of Council, and Scrutineers, the President finally directed attention to the usual Anniversary Dinner, and the Meeting adjourned.
